### subpart k – other program requirements

### 570.600 general

(a) This subpart K enumerates laws that the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made under section 106 of the Act, other than grants to States made pursuant to section 106(d) of the Act, for purposes of the Secretary's determinations under section 104(e)(1) of the Act, including statutes expressly made applicable by the Act and certain other statutes and Executive Orders for which the Secretary has enforcement responsibility. This subpart K applies to grants made under the Insular areas program in 570.405, with the exception of 570.612. The absence of mention herein of any other statute for which the Secretary does not have direct enforcement responsibility is not intended to be taken as an indication that, in the Secretary's opinion, such statute or Executive Order is not applicable to activities assisted under the Act. For laws that the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made to States under section 106(d) of the Act for purposes of the determination required to be made by the Secretary pursuant to section 104(e)(2) of the Act, see 570.487.

(The above streamlined text replaced the following language: Section 104(b) of the Act provides that any grant under section 106 of the Act shall be made only if the grantee certifies to the satisfaction of the Secretary, among other things, that the grant "will be conducted and administered in conformity with Pub. L. 88-352 and Pub. L. 90-284," and, further, that the grantee "will comply with the other provisions of this title and with other applicable laws." Section 104(e)(1) of the Act requires that the Secretary determine with respect to grants made pursuant to section 106(b) (Entitlement Grants) and 106(d)(2)(B) (HUD-administered Small Cities Grants), at least on an annual basis, among other things, "whether the grantee has carried out [its] certifications in compliance with the requirements and the primary objectives of this title and with other applicable laws \* \* \*." Certain other statutes are expressly made applicable to activities assisted under the Act by the Act itself, while other laws not referred to in the Act may be applicable to such activities by their own terms. Certain statutes or Executive Orders which may be applicable to activities assisted under the Act by their own terms are administered or enforced by governmental departments or agencies other than the Secretary or the Department. This subpart K enumerates laws which the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made under section 106 of the Act, other than grants to States made pursuant to section 106(d) of the Act, for purposes of the determinations described above to be made by the Secretary under section 104(e)(1) of the Act, including statutes expressly made applicable by the Act and certain other statutes and Executive Orders for which the Secretary has enforcement responsibility. The absence of mention herein of any other statute for which the Secretary does not have direct enforcement responsibility is not intended to be taken as an indication that, in the Secretary's opinion, such statute or Executive Order is not applicable to activities assisted under the Act. For laws which the Secretary will treat as applicable to grants made to States under section 106(d) of the Act for purposes of the determination required to be made by the Secretary pursuant to section 104(e)(2) of the Act, see 570.487.)

- **(b)** This subpart also sets forth certain additional program requirements which the Secretary has determined to be applicable to grants provided under the Act as a matter of administrative discretion.
- (c) In addition to grants made pursuant to section  $\underline{106(b)}$  and  $\underline{106(d)}(2)(B)$  of the Act ( $\underline{\text{subparts D}}$  and  $\underline{\text{F}}$ , respectively), the requirements of this subpart K are applicable to grants made pursuant to sections  $\underline{107}$  and  $\underline{119}$  of the Act (subparts E and G, respectively), and to loans guaranteed pursuant to subpart  $\underline{\text{M}}$ .

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# 570.601 public law 88-352 and public law 90-284; affirmatively furthering fair housing; executive order 11063

- (a) The following requirements apply according to sections <u>104(b)</u> and <u>107</u> of the Act:
  - **(1)** Public Law 88-352, which is title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 u.s.c. 2000d et seq.), and implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 1.
  - (2) Public Law 90-284, which is the Fair Housing Act (42 u.s.c. 3601-3620). In accordance with the Fair Housing Act, the Secretary requires that grantees administer all programs and activities related to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further the policies of the Fair Housing Act. Furthermore, in accordance with section 104(b)(2) of the Act, for each community receiving a grant under subpart D of this part, the certification that the grantee will affirmatively further fair housing shall specifically require the grantee to assume the responsibility of fair housing planning by conducting an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within its jurisdiction, taking appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintaining records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard.
- **(b)** Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259 (3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 652; 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 307) (Equal Opportunity in Housing), and implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 107, also apply.

(The streamlined text above replaced the following language: Section 104(b) of the Act provides that any grant under section 106 of the Act shall be made only if the grantee certifies to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the grant "will be conducted and administered in conformity with Pub. L. 88-352 and Pub. L. 90-284 and the grantee will affirmatively further fair housing." Similarly, section 107 provides that no grant may be made under that section (Secretary's Discretionary Fund) or section 119 (UDAG) without satisfactory assurances that the grantee's program will be conducted and administered in conformity with Pub. L. 88-352 and Pub. L. 90-284.

- (a) "Pub. L. 88-352" refers to title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States shall on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Section 602 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 directs each Federal department and agency empowered to extend Federal financial assistance to any program or activity by way of grant to effectuate the foregoing prohibition by issuing rules, regulations, or orders of general applicability which shall be consistent with achievement of the statute authorizing the financial assistance. HUD regulations implementing the requirements of Title VI with respect to HUD programs are contained in 24 CFR part 1.
- (b) "Public Law 90-284" refers to the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-20), which states that it is the policy of the United States to provide, within constitutional limitations, for fair housing throughout the United States and prohibits any person from discriminating in the sale or rental of housing, the financing of housing, or the provision of brokerage services, including otherwise making unavailable or denying a dwelling to any person, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status. The Fair Housing Act further requires the Secretary to administer the programs and activities relating to housing and urban development in a manner affirmatively to further the policies of the Fair Housing Act. In accordance with this statutory direction, the Secretary requires that grantees administer all programs and activities related to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further the policies of the Fair Housing Act; furthermore, section 104(b)(2) of the Act requires that each grantee receiving funds under section 106 of the Act (entitlement or small cities grantees) certify to the satisfaction of the Secretary that it will affirmatively further fair housing. For each community receiving a grant under subpart D of this part, the certification that the grantee will affirmatively further fair housing shall specifically require the grantee to assume the responsibility of fair housing planning by conducting an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within its jurisdiction, taking appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintaining records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard.
- **(c)** Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259, directs the Department to take all action necessary and appropriate to prevent discrimination because of race, color, religion (creed), sex, or national origin, in the sale, leasing, rental, or other disposition of residential property and related facilities (including land to be developed for residential use), or in the use or occupancy thereof, if such property and related facilities are, among other things, provided in whole or in part with the aid of loans, advances, grants, or contributions agreed to be made by the Federal Government. HUD regulations implementing Executive Order 11063 are contained in 24 CFR part 107.)

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#### 570.602 section 109 of the act

Section <u>109</u> of the Act requires that no person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex be excluded from participation

in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance made available pursuant to the Act. Section 109 also directs that the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act and the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of disability under Section 504 shall apply to programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance under Title I programs. The policies and procedures necessary to ensure enforcement of section 109 are codified in 24 CFR part 6.

[64 FR 3802, Jan. 25, 1999]

#### 570.603 labor standards

- (a) Section 110(a) of the Act contains labor standards that apply to nonvolunteer labor financed in whole or in part with assistance received under the Act. In accordance with section 110(a) of the Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327 et seq.) also applies. However, these requirements apply to the rehabilitation of residential property only if such property contains not less than 8 units.
- **(b)** The regulations in 24 CFR part 70 apply to the use of volunteers.

(The above streamlined text replaced the following language:

- (a) Section 110(a) of the Act requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors on construction work financed in whole or in part with assistance received under the Act shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-5). By reason of the foregoing requirement, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327 et seq.) also applies. However, these requirements apply to the rehabilitation of residential property only if such property contains not less than 8 units. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor has the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Number 14 of 1950 (5 U.S.C. 1332-15) and section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276c).
- **(b)** Under section <u>110(b)</u> of the Act, the requirements set out in paragraph (a) of this section are inapplicable to individuals who volunteer their services under certain circumstances. Grantees, subrecipients, contractors and subcontractors shall comply with 24 CFR part 70, which sets out the circumstances under which volunteers may be used.)

[57 FR 14759, Apr. 22, 1992, as amended at 61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

### 570.604 environmental standards

For purposes of section 104(g) of the Act, the regulations in 24 CFR part 58 specify the other provisions of law which further the purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and the procedures by which grantees must fulfill their

environmental responsibilities. In certain cases, grantees assume these environmental review, decisionmaking, and action responsibilities by execution of grant agreements with the Secretary.

(The above streamlined text replaced the following language: Section 104(g) expresses the intent that "the policies of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other provisions of law which further the purposes of such Act (as specified in regulations issued by the Secretary) \* \* \* [be] most effectively implemented in connection with the expenditure of funds under" the Act. Such other provisions of law which further the purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 are specified in regulations issued pursuant to section 104(g) of the Act and contained in 24 CFR part 58. Section 104(g) also provides that, in lieu of the environmental protection procedures otherwise applicable, the Secretary may under regulations provide for the release of funds for particular projects to grantees who assume all of the responsibilities for environmental review, decisionmaking, and action pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and the other provisions of law specified by the Secretary as described above, that would apply to the Secretary were he/she to undertake such projects as Federal projects. Grantees assume such environmental review, decisionmaking, and action responsibilities by

execution of grant agreements with the Secretary. The procedures for carrying out

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### 570.605 national flood insurance program

such environmental responsibilities are contained in 24 CFR part 58.)

Notwithstanding the date of HUD approval of the recipient's application (or, in the case of grants made under <u>subpart D</u> of this part or HUD-administered small cities recipients in Hawaii, the date of submission of the grantee's consolidated plan, in accordance with 24 CFR <u>part 91</u>), section 202(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4106) and the regulations in 44 CFR parts 59 through 79 apply to funds provided under this part 570.

(The above streamlined text replaced the following language: Section 202(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4106) provides that no Federal officer or agency shall approve any financial assistance for acquisition or construction purposes (as defined under section 3(a) of said Act (42 U.S.C. 400(a)), one year after a community has been formally notified of its identification as a community containing an area of special flood hazard, for use in any area that has been identified by the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency as an area having special flood hazards unless the community in which such area is situated is then participating in the National Flood Insurance Program. Notwithstanding the date of HUD approval of the recipient's application (or, in the case of grants made under subpart D, the date of submission of the grantee's consolidated plan, in accordance with 24 CFR part 91), funds provided under this part shall not be expended for acquisition or construction purposes in an area that has been identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as having special flood hazards unless the community in which the area is situated is participating in the National Flood Insurance Program in accordance with 44 CFR parts 59-79, or less than a year has passed since FEMA notification to the community regarding such hazards; and flood insurance is obtained in accordance with section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4001).)

[53 FR 34456, Sept. 6, 1988, as amended at 60 FR 1917, Jan. 5, 1995; 61 FR 11477, Mar. 20, 1996]

## 570.606 displacement, relocation, acquisition, and replacement of housing

- (a) General policy for minimizing displacement. Consistent with the other goals and objectives of this part, grantees (or States or state recipients, as applicable) shall assure that they have taken all reasonable steps to minimize the displacement of persons (families, individuals, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and farms) as a result of activities assisted under this part.
- **(b)** Relocation assistance for displaced persons at URA levels.
  - **(1)** A displaced person shall be provided with relocation assistance at the levels described in, and in accordance with the requirements of, 49 CFR part 24 which contains the government-wide regulations implementing the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (URA) (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655).
  - (2) Displaced person.
    - (i) For purposes of paragraph (b) of this section, the term "displaced person" means any person (family, individual, business, nonprofit organization, or farm) that moves from real property, or moves his or her personal property from real property, permanently and involuntarily, as a direct result of rehabilitation, demolition, or acquisition for an activity assisted under this part. A permanent, involuntary move for an assisted activity includes a permanent move from real property that is made:
      - **(A)** After notice by the grantee (or the state recipient, if applicable) to move permanently from the property, if the move occurs after the initial official submission to HUD (or the State, as applicable) for grant, loan, or loan guarantee funds under this part that are later provided or granted.
      - **(B)** After notice by the property owner to move permanently from the property, if the move occurs after the date of the submission of a request for financial assistance by the property owner (or person in control of the site) that is later approved for the requested activity.
      - **(C)** Before the date described in paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A) or (B) of this section, if either HUD or the grantee (or State, as applicable) determines that the displacement directly resulted from acquisition, rehabilitation, or demolition for the requested activity.

- **(D)** After the "initiation of negotiations" if the person is the tenant-occupant of a dwelling unit and any one of the following three situations occurs:
  - (1) The tenant has not been provided with a reasonable opportunity to lease and occupy a suitable decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling in the same building/complex upon the completion of the project under reasonable terms and conditions, including a monthly rent that does not exceed the greater of the tenant's monthly rent and estimated average utility costs before the initiation of negotiations or 30 percent of the household's average monthly gross income; or
  - (2) The tenant is required to relocate temporarily for the activity but the tenant is not offered payment for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the temporary relocation, including the cost of moving to and from the temporary location and any increased housing costs, or other conditions of the temporary relocation are not reasonable; and the tenant does not return to the building/complex; or
  - (3) The tenant is required to move to another unit in the building/complex, but is not offered reimbursement for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the move.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (b)(2)(i) of this section, the term "displaced person" does not include:
  - **(A)** A person who is evicted for cause based upon serious or repeated violations of material terms of the lease or occupancy agreement. To exclude a person on this basis, the grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) must determine that the eviction was not undertaken for the purpose of evading the obligation to provide relocation assistance under this section;
  - **(B)** A person who moves into the property after the date of the notice described in paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A) or (B) of this section, but who received a written notice of the expected displacement before occupancy.
  - **(C)** A person who is not displaced as described in 49 CFR 24.2(g)(2).
  - **(D)** A person who the grantee (or State, as applicable) determines is not displaced as a direct result of the acquisition, rehabilitation, or demolition for an assisted activity. To exclude a person on this basis, HUD must concur in that determination.

- (iii) A grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) may, at any time, request HUD to determine whether a person is a displaced person under this section.
- (3) Initiation of negotiations. For purposes of determining the type of replacement housing assistance to be provided under paragraph (b) of this section, if the displacement is the direct result of privately undertaken rehabilitation, demolition, or acquisition of real property, the term "initiation of negotiations" means the execution of the grant or loan agreement between the grantee (or State or state recipient, as applicable) and the person owning or controlling the real property.
- **(c)** Residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan. The grantee shall comply with the requirements of 24 CFR part 42, subpart C.

(Paragraph (c), as published in the Federal Register on 10/3/1996 on page 51760, incorrectly referred to part 42, subpart B. Subpart B has been reserved.)

- (d) Optional relocation assistance. Under section 105(a) (11) of the Act, the grantee may provide (or the State may permit the state recipient to provide, as applicable) relocation payments and other relocation assistance to persons displaced by activities that are not subject to paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section. The grantee may also provide (or the State may also permit the state recipient to provide, as applicable) relocation assistance to persons receiving assistance under paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section at levels in excess of those required by these paragraphs. Unless such assistance is provided under State or local law, the grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) shall provide such assistance only upon the basis of a written determination that the assistance is appropriate (see, e.g., 24 CFR 570.201(i), as applicable). The grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) must adopt a written policy available to the public that describes the relocation assistance that the grantee (or state recipient, as applicable) has elected to provide and that provides for equal relocation assistance within each class of displaced persons.
- **(e)** Acquisition of real property. The acquisition of real property for an assisted activity is subject to 49 CFR part 24, subpart B.
- **(f)** Appeals. If a person disagrees with the determination of the grantee (or the state recipient, as applicable) concerning the person's eligibility for, or the amount of, a relocation payment under this section, the person may file a written appeal of that determination with the grantee (or the state recipient, as applicable). The appeal procedures to be followed are described in 49 CFR 24.10. In addition, a low- or moderate-income household that has been displaced from a dwelling may file a written request for review of the grantee's decision to the HUD Field Office. For purposes of the State CDBG program, a low- or moderate-income household may file a written request for review of the state recipient's decision with the State.
- (g) Responsibility of grantee or State.
  - (1) The grantee (or State, if applicable) is responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of this section, notwithstanding any third party's contractual obligation to the grantee to comply with the provisions of this section. For purposes of the State CDBG program, the State shall require

state recipients to certify that they will comply with the requirements of this section.

- (2) The cost of assistance required under this section may be paid from local public funds, funds provided under this part, or funds available from other sources.
- (3) The grantee (or State and state recipient, as applicable) must maintain records in sufficient detail to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of this section.

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## 570.607 employment and contracting opportunities

Grantees shall comply with:

- (a) Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Orders 11375, 11478, 12086, and 12107 (3 CFR, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339; 3 CFR, 1966-1970 Comp., p. 684; 3 CFR, 1966-1970 Comp., p. 803; 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 230; and 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 264) (Equal Employment Opportunity) and the implementing regulations at 41 CFR chapter 60; and
- **(b)** Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 135.

[53 FR 34456, Sept. 6, 1988, as amended at 59 FR 33894, June 30, 1994; 61 FR 5209, Feb. 9, 1996]

### 570.608 lead-based paint

The Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4821-4846), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851-4856), and implementing regulations at part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R of this part apply to activities under this program.

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# 570.609 use of debarred, suspended or ineligible contractors or subrecipients

The requirements set forth in 24 CFR part 5 apply to this program.

## 570.610 uniform administrative requirements and cost principles

The recipient, its agencies or instrumentalities, and subrecipients shall comply with the policies, guidelines, and requirements of 24 CFR part 85 and OMB Circulars A-87, A-110 (implemented at 24 CFR part 84), A-122, A-133 (implemented at 24 CFR part 45), and A-128 (implemented at 24 CFR part 44), as applicable, as they relate to the acceptance and use of Federal funds under this part. The applicable sections of 24 CFR parts 84 and 85 are set forth at 570.502.

[53 FR 34456, Sept. 6, 1988; 53 FR 41330, Oct. 21, 1988, as amended at 57 FR 33256, July 27, 1992; 60 FR 56916, Nov. 9, 1995]

#### 570.611 conflict of interest

- (a) Applicability.
  - (1) In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction, and services by recipients and by subrecipients, the conflict of interest provisions in 24 CFR 85.36 and 84.42, respectively, shall apply.
  - (2) In all cases not governed by 24 CFR 85.36 and 84.42, the provisions of this section shall apply. Such cases include the acquisition and disposition of real property and the provision of assistance by the recipient or by its subrecipients to individuals, businesses, and other private entities under eligible activities that authorize such assistance (e.g., rehabilitation, preservation, and other improvements of private properties or facilities pursuant to <u>570.202</u>; or grants, loans, and other assistance to businesses, individuals, and other private entities pursuant to <u>570.203</u>, <u>570.204</u>, 570.455,\* or <u>570.703</u>(i)).
  - \* (The published regulation inadvertently refers to 570.455 which was removed when streamlined regulations were published on March 20, 1996.)
- **(b)** Conflicts prohibited. The general rule is that no persons described in paragraph (c) of this section who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to CDBG activities assisted under this part, or who are in a position to participate in a decisionmaking process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have a financial interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect to a CDBG-assisted activity, or with respect to the proceeds of the CDBG-assisted activity, either for themselves or those with whom they have business or immediate family ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter. For the UDAG program, the above restrictions shall apply to all activities that are a part of the UDAG project, and shall cover any such financial interest or benefit during, or at any time after, such person's tenure.
- **(c)** Persons covered. The conflict of interest provisions of paragraph (b) of this section apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the recipient, or of any designated public agencies, or of subrecipients that are receiving funds under this part.

- (d) Exceptions. Upon the written request of the recipient, HUD may grant an exception to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section on a case-by-case basis when it has satisfactorily met the threshold requirements of (d)(1) of this section, taking into account the cumulative effects of paragraph (d)(2) of this section.
  - (1) Threshold requirements. HUD will consider an exception only after the recipient has provided the following documentation:
    - (i) A disclosure of the nature of the conflict, accompanied by an assurance that there has been public disclosure of the conflict and a description of how the public disclosure was made; and
    - (ii) An opinion of the recipient's attorney that the interest for which the exception is sought would not violate State or local law.
  - (2) Factors to be considered for exceptions. In determining whether to grant a requested exception after the recipient has satisfactorily met the requirements of paragraph (d)(1) of this section, HUD shall conclude that such an exception will serve to further the purposes of the Act and the effective and efficient administration of the recipient's program or project, taking into account the cumulative effect of the following factors, as applicable:
    - (i) Whether the exception would provide a significant cost benefit or an essential degree of expertise to the program or project that would otherwise not be available;
    - **(ii)** Whether an opportunity was provided for open competitive bidding or negotiation;
    - (iii) Whether the person affected is a member of a group or class of low- or moderate-income persons intended to be the beneficiaries of the assisted activity, and the exception will permit such person to receive generally the same interests or benefits as are being made available or provided to the group or class;
    - (iv) Whether the affected person has withdrawn from his or her functions or responsibilities, or the decisionmaking process with respect to the specific assisted activity in question;
    - **(v)** Whether the interest or benefit was present before the affected person was in a position as described in paragraph (b) of this section;
    - (vi) Whether undue hardship will result either to the recipient or the person affected when weighed against the public interest served by avoiding the prohibited conflict; and
    - (vii) Any other relevant considerations.

#### 570.612 executive order 12372

- (a) General. Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs, and the Department's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 52, allow each State to establish its own process for review and comment on proposed Federal financial assistance programs.
- **(b)** Applicability. Executive Order 12372 applies to the CDBG Entitlement program and the UDAG program. The Executive Order applies to all activities proposed to be assisted under UDAG, but it applies to the Entitlement program only where a grantee proposes to use funds for the planning or construction (reconstruction or installation) of water or sewer facilities. Such facilities include storm sewers as well as all sanitary sewers, but do not include water and sewer lines connecting a structure to the lines in the public right-of-way or easement. It is the responsibility of the grantee to initiate the Executive Order review process if it proposes to use its CDBG or UDAG funds for activities subject to review.

### 570.613 eligibility restrictions for certain resident aliens

- (a) Restriction. Certain newly legalized aliens, as described in 24 CFR part 49, are not eligible to apply for benefits under covered activities funded by the programs listed in paragraph (e) of this section. "Benefits" under this section means financial assistance, public services, jobs and access to new or rehabilitated housing and other facilities made available under covered activities funded by programs listed in paragraph (e) of this section. "Benefits" do not include relocation services and payments to which displaces are entitled by law.
- **(b)** Covered activities. **"Covered activities"** under this section means activities meeting the requirements of <u>570.208</u>(a) that either:
  - (1) Have income eligibility requirements limiting the benefits exclusively to low- and moderate-income persons; or
  - (2) Are targeted geographically or otherwise to primarily benefit low and moderate income persons (excluding activities serving the public at large, such as sewers, roads, sidewalks, and parks), and that provide benefits to persons on the basis of an application.
- **(c)** Limitation on coverage. The restrictions under this section apply only to applicants for new benefits not being received by covered resident aliens as of the effective date of this section.
- **(d)** Compliance. Compliance can be accomplished by obtaining certification as provided in 24 CFR 49.20.
- (e) Programs affected.
  - (1) The Community Development Block Grant program for small cities, administered under <u>subpart F</u> of part 570 of this title until closeout of the recipient's grant.

- (2) The Community Development Block Grant program for entitlement grants, administered under <u>subpart D</u> of part 570 of this title.
- (3) The Community Development Block Grant program for States, administered under <u>subpart I</u> of part 570 of this title until closeout of the unit of general local government's grant by the State.
- (4) The Urban Development Action Grants program, administered under subpart G of part 570 of this title until closeout of the recipient's grant.

[55 FR 18494, May 2, 1990]

### 570.614 architectural barriers act and the americans with disabilities act

- (a) The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4151-4157) requires certain Federal and Federally funded buildings and other facilities to be designed, constructed, or altered in accordance with standards that insure accessibility to, and use by, physically handicapped people. A building or facility designed, constructed, or altered with funds allocated or reallocated under this part after December 11, 1995, and that meets the definition of "residential structure" as defined in 24 CFR 40.2 or the definition of "building" as defined in 41 CFR 101-19.602(a) is subject to the requirements of the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4151-4157) and shall comply with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (Appendix A to 24 CFR part 40 for residential structures, and Appendix A to 41 CFR part 101-19, subpart 101-19.6, for general type buildings).
- **(b)** The Americans with Disabilities Act (42 u.s.c. 12131; 47 u.s.c. 155, 201, 218 and 225) (ADA) provides comprehensive civil rights to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, State and local government services, and telecommunications. It further provides that discrimination includes a failure to design and construct facilities for first occupancy no later than January 26, 1993 that are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. Further, the ADA requires the removal of architectural barriers and communication barriers that are structural in nature in existing facilities, where such removal is readily achievable--that is, easily accomplishable and able to be carried out without much difficulty or expense. [60 FR 56917, Nov. 9, 1995]